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New Chief Physician Executive at Central Maine Healthcare

Dr. Jason Krupp, M.D., FACP

Dr. Jason Krupp, M.D., FACP, a widely respected leader with a track record of helping health systems create a robust culture of provider engagement, will become Chief Physician Executive of Central Maine Healthcare this summer.

In this role, Dr. Krupp will lead the system's more than 300 providers, overseeing all matters involving provider performance and clinical programs, and will be responsible for leading efforts toward more value-based care. Reporting directly to CEO Jeff Brickman, Dr. Krupp will also be tasked with maintaining and improving CMH's upward trajectories in quality of care, patient access and experience, and provider satisfaction.

"Dr. Krupp brings an approachable, highly communicative style and a deep understanding of the providers' role to this complex new position," Brickman said. "At health systems large and small, he has had a positive impact on performance, quality, and outcomes. We couldn't be more delighted to welcome him to our organization and to Maine."

Most recently, Dr.

Krupp served as senior vice president for physician practice services at Community Health Systems, based in Franklin, Tenn. In that role, he had operational, quality, and financial oversight for providers across 19 states serving 100 communities. A board-certified internal medicine specialist, Krupp also served in leadership roles at Catholic Health Initiatives in Omaha, Nebraska and at Banner Health

in Phoenix. He has held multiple roles, including chief medical officer, at hospitals in Arizona and Massachusetts.

"I am so excited to be joining the CMH team in serving Maine," Dr. Krupp said. "I believe in the strategic direction of the organization to provide top notch, high-value care in Central Maine that is highly accessible. Access to care is key to improving the health of our communities, and enhancing that access will be a top priority for me. We have an amazing group of physicians, providers, and staff supporting our communities, and new ones are joining monthly. This is an exciting time to join this organization."

A native of Boston, Dr. Krupp received his medical degree from Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia and has practiced, worked, and lived across the country. He and his family have been returning to Maine every summer for 30 years. His oldest son is a student at Bowdoin College and he and his wife Tara have three younger sons at home. Dr. Krupp begins his new role on August 5. He will be based in Lewiston.

City plans "Come Home, Auburn" event for ELHS alumni





The City of Auburn, Auburn School Department, and the Auburn 150th Committee have announced "Come Home, Auburn," a special weekend that invites all alumni of Edward Little High School home to Auburn November 1 through 3.

Highlights of "Come Home, Auburn" will include a "Battle of the Bridge" football game featuring Edward Little vs. Lewiston High School at Walton Field on Friday, November 1; various alumni games and gatherings throughout the day, including a ceremony for the unveiling

of the Bell Tower in Anniversary Park and a huge alumni reunion at Lost Valley, on Saturday, November 2; and a Family Fun Day at Edward Little High School, complete with a Family 5K and Kids Zone, as well as tours and presentations on the new Edward Little High School project, on Sunday, November 3.

All alumni of Edward Little High School are warmly invited back to Auburn for this once-in-a-lifetime celebration. The 150th Committee is seeking assistance organizing the event. ELHS class officers, and anyone wishing to volunteer, are invited to email auburn 150@ auburnmaine.gov or complete the volunteer form at www.auburn 150.com.

"Come Home, Auburn" will be the fourth signature event in Auburn's year-long celebration of the city's 150th year. The previous events have been the first-ever "New Year's Auburn" event, a city-wide birthday party held in February, and a Memorial Day celebration boasting a two-hour parade and "Art in the Park" art show.

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Newsmakers, Names & Faces

Androscoggin Historical Society elects new board members



Joline Froton

At its recent annual meeting, the Androscoggin Historical Society elected officers and board members for 2019-20. The new board members are Joline Froton, Everett Bertrand, and Sonia Jack.

Joline Froton is a native of Lewiston. She graduated from Lewiston High School and was employed at Bates College for 27 years, where first she managed the post office and then the

college store. She served as administrative assistant for the Androscoggin Historical Society for six years. She has volunteered for fifteen years at Maine Adaptive Skiing and Recreation. The mother of three and grandmother of three, she enjoys traveling, skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, knitting, and reading historical novels in her free time.

A resident of Minot, Everett Bertrand graduated



Everett Bertrand

from Poland Regional High School. He completed a double major in economics and history at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, where he served as head resident advisor and was a member of the history club and men's rugby team. He attended iunior semester abroad at University of Canterbury, New Zealand. As an intern at Androscoggin Historical Society, he transcribed the

letters of Edward Little for publication in Douglas Hodgkin's book, "Dear Parent," the biography of the founder of ELHS. His work history includes customer service at TD Bank and his current employment as a financial advisor with Merrill Lynch.

Sonia Jack graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education from the University of Maine at Farmington. She Sonia Jack then taught at St. Peter's School in Lewiston and Webster School in Auburn. She retired from teaching in 2016 after teaching for 33 vears in Litchfield. During those years, she taught every grade level from K-8. She taught social studies for most of her 37 years in education and has a great interest in history. She now volunteers at the Dempsey Center. She states that her

children "are the light of my life."

Officers elected at the annual meeting were Curtis Jack, president; Cathy Mc-Donald, vice president; David Chittim, treasurer; and Douglas Hodgkin, secretary. Board members re-elected were Penny Jessop, Stephen Marsden, Rick Morris, Merton Ricker, Beverly Robbins, Ethelind Wright, David Young, and Elizabeth

Ribbon Cutting at Payroll Management, Inc.

The Chamber of Commerce will host a Ribbon Cutting ceremony on Thursday, July 25 at 5 p.m. at Payroll Management, Inc, located in the Auburn Mall at 550 Center Street in Auburn. They're near TD Bank on the side of the mall closest to the Norway Savings Bank Arena.

The celebration is in recognition of Payroll Man-

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CMCC student wins James McGowan Award

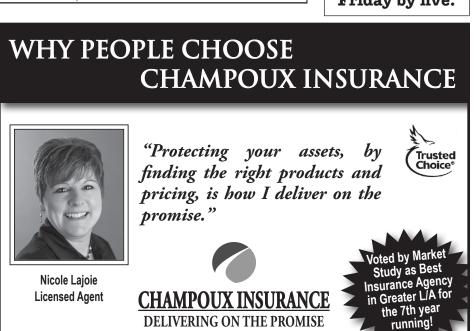
husband and her four grand-

Central Maine Community College student Zakiya Sheikh was recently selected to receive the Maine Community College System's James McGowan Award

McGowan retired last year as the director of the MCCS Center for Career Development. Given in recognition of his many years of service to Maine's community colleges, the award is presented each year to a student at one of Maine's seven community colleges who exemplifies a deep love of Maine, a



Award recipient Zakiya Sheikh, with Dean of Students Nick Hamel

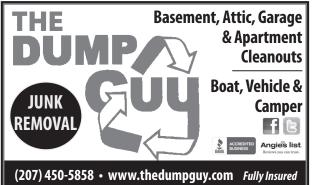


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desire to give back to one's community in meaningful ways, and a commitment to lifelong learning. The award includes a \$1,000 check.

A resident of Lewiston, Zakiya graduated with high honors this spring from the Graphic Communications program at CMCC. She was one of four CMCC students named in May to the 2019 All-Maine Academic Team. The students were selected in recognition of outstanding academic achievement, leadership, and service. Zakiya hopes to work in print media.

Check TCT every week for updated Calendar listings!

Governor's Address: If your family needs a helping hand, please visit a Summer Food Service Program site near you

No child should ever go hungry. But right now, one in five children in Maine don't know where their next meal is coming from.

While our biennial budget helps feed more hungry children in schools by eliminating the reduced-price lunch category and moving those kids to the freelunch category, it can be hard for families to get nutritious food when schools are out for the sum-

I want to tell you about the Summer Food Service Program. Funded through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, it helps fill the gap with free, nutritious meals for children and is available statewide in areas of need at sites like schools, nonprofit summer places, government agencies, faith-based organizations, and churches.



Governor Janet Mills

Some schools keep their doors open during the summer to continue to serve

hot meals, while other agencies pack up coolers and head to local playgrounds, swimming pools, and parks to provide free meals for kids. Children taking part in activities with their friends and family also get a healthy meal that meets the USDA guidelines for nutrition.

Last year, more than 123 sponsors at 450 sites in every county in Maine served more than 727, 238

Anyone under the age of 18 can come to eat at no cost, no questions asked. To see if there are free meals for kids near you, visit usda. gov/summerfoodrocks.

You can also text "Summer Meals" to 97779 or call Maine 211. Meal serving dates and times are subject to change over the summer, so be sure to check the website often.

I hope these summer months are filled with pre-

cious time with your family, friends, and neighbors and not hunger. If your family needs a helping hand, please visit a Summer Food Service Program site near you. Not only will a child have access to a free, healthy meal, but you will also be supporting your local school and community organizations.

Thank You, Janet Mills Governor

Area students graduate from Bates College



Graduates make their way over to the Historic Quad. (Photo by Phyllis Graber Jensen/Bates College)

Among the 469 students from 36 states and 36 countries graduating from Bates College this spring were several from the local area. They are listed here

Kyle Flaherty graduated after majoring in history. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Moses E. Flaherty of Litchfield, Flaherty is a 2015 graduate of Oak Hill High School.

Flaherty was also inducted into the Bates Scholar-Athlete Society, an organization that honors graduating seniors who have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 and have participated in a varsity sport for a minimum of three

Sam Pierce graduated after majoring in environmental studies and minoring in education. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel K. Pierce of New Gloucester, Pierce is a 2015 graduate of Maine Coast Waldorf School. Pierce was also inducted into the Bates Scholar-Athlete Society.

Hannah Austin graduated after majoring in classical and medieval studies. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Austin of North Yarmouth, Austin is a 2015 graduate of North Yarmouth Academy.

Austin graduates as a member of Eta Sigma Phi, an honor society for classics students.

Clio Barr graduated Summa Cum Laude after majoring in politics and minoring in philosophy. The child of Mr. John A. Barr and Mrs. Marion R. Hylan Barr of Hallowell, Barr is a 2015 graduate of Hall-Dale High School.

Barr graduates as a member of Phi Beta Kappa, an organization recognized as conferring the highest undergraduate academic honors and as the oldest Greek letter society in the

Thomas Brown graduated Magna Cum Laude after majoring in politics. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Brown of Phippsburg, Brown is a 2015 graduate of

Morse High School. Brown graduates as a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Allison Cormier graduated after majoring in classical and medieval studies and minoring in geology. Cormier is a 2015 graduate of Deer Isle-Stonington High School. Cormier graduates as a member of Eta Sigma Phi.

Sarah Gutch graduated after majoring in biology. The child of Dr. Michael J. and Mrs. Anne P. Gutch of Brunswick, Gutch, is a 2015 graduate of Quince Orchard High School.

Gutch graduates as a member of Sigma Xi, an honor society that recognizes excellence in scientific research.

Ruth van Kampen graduated after majoring in biology. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas A. van Kampen of Brunswick, van Kampen is a 2015 graduate of Brunswick High School. van Kampen graduates as a member of Sigma

Abby Westberry graduated Summa Cum Laude after majoring in sociology and politics. The child of Mr. Joseph P. and Dr. Nicola C. Westberry of Readfield, Westberry is a 2015 graduate of Maranacook Community School. Westberry graduates as a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

JR Watanasiri graduated after majoring in biological chemistry and minoring in anthropology. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Punthavit Watanasiri of Bangkok, Thailand, Watanasiri is a 2015 graduate of Cheshire Academy.

Liv Schmidt graduated after majoring in psychology and minoring in Chinese. The child of Mary O'Neil of Poland, Schmidt is a 2015 graduate of Waynflete School.

Kylie Martin graduated after majoring in English and minoring in education. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Craig S. Martin of Poland, Martin is a 2015 graduate of Poland Regional High

Josh Caldwell graduated after majoring in environmental studies and minoring in geology. The child of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Caldwell of West Gardiner, Caldwell is a 2015 graduate of Gardiner Area High School.

Olivia Gilbert graduated after majoring in politics and minoring in rhetoric. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Tim R. Gilbert of Turner, Gilbert is a 2015 graduate of Leavitt Area High School.

Emily Gibson graduated after majoring in biology. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Darryl G. Gibson of Mechanic Falls, Gibson is a 2015 graduate of Poland Regional High School.

Ted Burns graduated after majoring in English. The child of Mr. H. Jay Burns and Mrs. Jennifer H. Burns of Topsham, Burns is a 2015 graduate of Mt. Ararat School.

Noah Lobozzo graduated after majoring in Spanish. The child of Mr. and Mrs. Allan E. Lobozzo of New Gloucester, Lobozzo, is a 2014 graduate of Gray New Gloucester High School.

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Healthy Androscoggin nets national grant to fund childhood lead-exposure prevention in L-A



Healthy Androscoggin is one of only nine organizations nationwide to receive a 2019 Lead Poisoning Prevention Grant. Part of the National Center for Healthy Housing's Equipping Communities for Action initiative, the award will provide the community health-focused nonprofit with 18 months of coaching and support, including access to national experts; engagement in a peer learning network; a customized analysis calculating the cost of childhood lead exposure and the economic benefits of interventions; and a \$25,000 cash award.

The initiative is funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, with additional support from the New York Community Trust.

An affiliate of Central Maine Healthcare, Healthy Androscoggin will use their new Lead Poisoning Prevention Grant to continue their childhood lead poisoning prevention work in Lewiston and Auburn. Within the broader mission of increasing the accessibility of healthy housing, HA will work with local community partners and decision-makers to establish the most impactful policy improvements. This will include creating strategies unique to each city and focusing on the

economic and community

development benefits of

"This is an opportunity to accelerate the impact of our lead poisoning prevention work," said Erin Guay, executive director of Healthy Androscoggin. "While Lewiston and Auburn still have the first and third highest numbers of Maine children under the age of three years who are poisoned by lead, respectively, these numbers have come down over time. This grant allows us to use the experience and skills of national experts so we can bring home tailored solutions that have the best chance of working here in the Twin Cities. These lessons will also be shared back with local and statewide partners."

Healthy Androscoggin is also coordinating a collaborative problem-solving process, funded by the Environmental Protection Agency, which has brought together over 60 community members from diverse professional backgrounds to develop priorities and strategies to improve Lewiston's housing stock.

For example, local partners are researching incentives to increase owner occupancy in multi-unit housing. Through other funding sources, Healthy Androscoggin offers healthy housing classes for tenants and property owners and provides inhome resident education to families who live in units enrolled in Lewiston and Auburn's HUD lead hazard control grant program. To date, over 5,000 residents have received some form of edu-

Partners supporting the initiative and enhancing guidance related to legal strategies, community leader engagement, cost analysis, and specific point sources of lead include representatives from Altarum, ChangeLab Solutions, Earthjustice, the Environmental Defense Fund, and the National League of Cities.

"Invasive Forest Pests" workshop

As part of the Invasive Forest Pests Outreach Program, the Androscoggin Valley Soil and Water Conservation District and the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Service will present a workshop on "Invasive Forests Pests" on Monday, July 29, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The workshop is designed to help residents identify current and poten-

tial invasive forest pests and host species, understand the threats they pose, and learn how to report suspected pest sightings and damage. All participants will receive an information packet with fact sheets, species lists, and other relevant information regarding these objectives.

The workshop provides attendees with the chance to earn free CEU's from the Society of Amer-

ican Foresters (Category 1-CF:2.0), Maine Board of Pesticide Control (2.0), and Maine Board of Licensure of Foresters (2.0 category 1)

Free and open to all, the workshop will take place at the Extension Service office in Lisbon Falls. For more information or to reserve a spot, call 241-5377 or email info@androscogginswcd.org.



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Republicans' Address: Maine's truly needy citizens must come first

By Rep. Kathleen Dillingham

The first session of the 129th Legislature has now adjourned. Previous Republican addresses have outlined our concerns with the massive, unsustainable budget that Governor Mills proposed, along with concerns about the ultra-progressive agenda the Democratic majorities have pushed through the House and Senate.

We remain concerned about the lack of priorities and the excessive spending that has been a result of this past session. I have said it numerous times before and it continues to hold true: when everything is a priority, nothing is a priority.

Holding substantial majorities in the Maine House and Senate as well as the Governor's Office, Democrats have the votes they need to pass any initiatives they choose. I would caution that this near complete power comes with great responsibility.

Instead, we have seen a state budget that spends 99.95% of all available monies, including the surplus accumulated through responsible management under Republican leadership. When the one-time monies used in this budget are spent, in order to balance future budgets, there will be a need for other yet-unknown revenue sources or a willingness to cut programs.

If we do not see continued growth in our economy to provide for those revenue sources, this administration will need to look to an expansion and increase in taxes

Instead of thoughtful, responsible governance, we have seen a total lack of restraint and an inability to set priorities. At the expense of hard-working taxpayers, able-bodied, childless adults who can work and contribute have been favored in the expansion of government programs over those who are unable to work or who require our assistance because of age or infirmity.

While dollars for MaineCare expansion were spent to provide free health-care to able-bodied, childless adults, there remains a 1,600 person waitlist for Section 21 waivers. These are the most vulnerable people in Maine. If you are a family member of an adult with a developmental disability, this is crippling. The wait time for assistance can be decades.

People who, through no fault of their own, truly need our help will not get it because, according to the Majorities, taxpayer funded abortions and full SNAP, TANF, General Assistance, and Maine Care for non-citizens comes first.



We should each be asking if this is responsible prioritization of our tax dollars. I believe it is not. Mainers deserve better.

Instead of thoughtful, responsible governance, we have seen actions that have the potential to cause budgetary problems going forward. Democrats were not content to spend only what is currently available; they also created ways to get around spending limits, laying the groundwork for more spending in January. In the waning hours, without amendments and without language for staff to work from, they removed price tags on items they couldn't fund.

This allowed them to carry 400 bills over to the next session. That is over 20% of all bills submitted. By contrast, when Republicans last controlled the House and Senate, only 131 bills were carried over. These carry-over bills represent tens of millions in potential new spending.

This irresponsible budgeting, lack of spending discipline, and inability to set priorities will impact all Mainers. Just this week, we learned of a serious consequence this excessive spending without priorities is having on vulnerable seniors.

In 2018, a record seven nursing and residential facilities closed their doors because their costs exceeded revenues. These homes served the communities of Patten, Jonesport, West Paris, Freeport, Bridgton, Fryeburg and Bar Harbor.

That is a serious problem for everyone. Maine is already the oldest state in the country and, by 2030, Maine's population over age 65 will increase by 47%. In 1995, there were 132 nursing homes. Today, there are 93. That's a 30% decrease.

To help address this problem, Republicans and Democrats passed legislation to provide emergency funding over the summer to support Maine nursing

and residential facilities. Governor Mills' office has not approved the additional funding for nursing homes, claiming there would be an impact on federal matching funds, which has been contradicted by those in the industry.

This is creating a problem for facilities that are now in the process of setting their rates to mail out to residents and their families. I hope that having to wait up to six months for funds that had sweeping bipartisan support does not result in another nursing home closing this summer or fall.

We asked the Governor how she plans to address this mistake, but we have not received a response. Some have even gone so far as to imply that Republicans have no right to question how this is going to be fixed because the majority of our caucuses did not support the budget. This isn't about a budget, but a piece of legislation that we voted in favor of because we knew it was imperative that these facilities are able to remain open to ensure that care is available for our elderly.

Supporting initiatives because they truly are a priority is vastly different from voting against a fiscally irresponsible budget lacking any clear priorities. Republicans support policies that benefit everyone and prioritize the truly needy, not narrow special-interest identity groups.

Republicans have proven they can lead on lower taxes, responsible borrowing, and setting fiscal policies that grow our economy and create jobs. If given the chance, we will continue to work for you, the people of Maine. Please like and follow us on social media and spread the word on what one-party rule is doing to the state we love.

Republican Leader Kathleen Dillingham represents District 72 (Oxford, Mechanic Falls, and Otisfield) in the Maine House of Representatives.

Auburn mayor launches re-election campaign

After submitting the required signatures to nominate his candidacy for re-election as Mayor of Auburn, Jason Levesque held a kickoff rally last week, formally announcing his re-election campaign before a group of supporters.

In his speech to the crowd, he spoke about his accomplishments on behalf of the City of Auburn, his vision for the City moving forward, and his goals for a second term.

"As your Mayor, I have fought to protect the best interests of our beloved community by ensuring responsible spending, keeping tax increases under the rate of inflation, and creating growth for our future," he told supporters gathered at Gritty's in Auburn. "We have only just begun."

Levesque outlined a series of accomplishments from his first term: keeping tax increases under the rate of inflation; ensuring responsible spending of resident's tax dollars through collaboration between municipal and school departments; championing a fiscally responsible new Edward Little High School project; presiding over record-setting growth to Auburn; successfully lobbying the State Legislature for an increase in municipal revenue sharing and an increase in the Homestead Exemption, thereby lowering taxes for Auburn home owners without sacrificing services; facilitating the creation of the Committee on Aging; and spearheading the modernization of Auburn's Agriculture ordi-

Levesque is a fifth-generation Auburn resident, graduate of Edward Little High School, and veteran of the United States Army. He is married to his wife, Tracy, and they have three children, Allie, Ethan and Sarah.

Chamber seminar spotlights Boots2Roots

The LA Metro Chamber of Commerce will present a Working the Workforce seminar called "Providing a Dedicated Pipeline of Talented Workers to Maine Employers" on Tuesday, July 23, from 12 to 1 p.m. at the Chamber offices at 415 Lisbon Street in Lewiston.

The presenter will

be Bill Benson, program manager with Boots2Roots, a Maine nonprofit that connects with soon-to-be veterans to help them prepare for a quick and successful transition to civilian employment. For more information about the agency, see www. boots2roots.org.

The workshop is ap-

propriate for all employers looking to fill current and future vacancies with hardworking, trustworthy, trainable workers, as well as those interested in helping former military service members find meaningful work in Maine. For more information about the event. call 783-2249.

Minot Historical Society to host Civil War Encampment



Reenactors from the 3rd Maine Infantry, 15th Alabama, and 5th Connecticut will demonstrate what life was like for common soldiers during the war.

ciety will host their annual Civil War Encampment at 493 Center Minot Hill Road on Saturday, July 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, July 28, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Reenactors from the 3rd Maine Infantry, 15th Alabama, and 5th Connecticut will demonstrate what life was like for common soldiers during the war. The soldiers will conduct drills and mock battles throughout the weekend. Those sensitive to sudden loud noises should bring proper hearing protection to avoid being startled.

There will also be a

Minot Historical So-dress tent, surgeon's tent, attire (2:15 p.m.). and period pharmacist tent. The 1830's parsonage will be open all weekend for free self-guided tours.

> Saturday's program schedule includes four speakers: Charles Plummer will discuss the education structure of the North and South during the war era (10 a.m).; Professor Jay Hoar will discuss the last Maine and oldest Civil War veterans (11 a.m.); Connie Benwitz will present various period quilts she has sewn and describe their pertinence to the Underground Railroad (1:30 p.m.); and Carolyn Lawson will give a presentation on Civil War

A hot dog and bean lunch will be for sale from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and pie, coffee, and tea will be for sale at 1 p.m.

On Sunday, a service has been tentatively scheduled at the Center Minot Church, across from the parsonage, at 9 a.m. All are welcome to attend. Sunday's lunch offering of American chop suey, salad, and bread will be available from 11:30 to 12:30 p.m.

Vendors will be on hand both days. This is a cash-only event. For more information, call 966-2622 or find the Minot Historical Society Civil War Encampment on Facebook.

Rotary to host District Governor Suzanne Uhl-Melanson



Rotary District Governor Suzanne Uhl-Melanson will be the guest speaker of the Lewiston-Auburn Rotary Lunch Club on Thursday, July 25, from noon to 1 p.m. at the Village Inn of Auburn. Lunch is available for \$14. Guests and visiting Rotarians are always welcome. For more information, see www.lewistonauburnrotary.org.

Scholarship Scramble set for August 21

Central Maine Community College and the L-A Metro Chamber of Commerce will host the 20th annual Chip Morrison Scholarship Scramble at Fox Ridge Golf Club in Auburn on Wednesday, August 21.

The Scramble is the chamber's single largest fundraiser for college scholarships benefiting local students.

Fun new additions to this year's event include a chance to win the "Chip Toss" and a \$10,000

hole-in-one cash prize. Extra fun will include a golf ball air cannon, a 50/50 raffle, and playing from the women's tee. For more information or to register, see bit.ly/scholarship-

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What's Going On

Elizabeth Potter and Judith Robbins to read at Harlow





The poets will read from and discuss their work in a Bookey Readings program on Friday, July 19.

The Harlow will present a reading by poets Elizabeth Potter and Judith Robbins on Friday, July 19 at 7 p.m. as part of their ongoing Bookey Readings poetry series. Come and experience an evening of excellent spoken word in an art gallery setting.

During the reading, visitors may also view the Harlow's current exhibitions, "Striped: The Summer Members' Show," on view downstairs, and "Tom Ferrero: The Places in Between," on view upstairs. The Harlow is located at 100 Water Street in Hallowell.

Elizabeth Potter is a teacher and poet residing in mid-coast Maine. She is also the Coordinator of the Maine College Transitions Program of Lincoln County. Her new collection of poetry, "T'ai Chi of Leaves," was released by Moon Pie Press in September of 2016.

Her poems have been widely published in literary journals both locally and nationally, most recently in On the Issues magazine and the online edition of Yankee Magazine. A certified Amherst Writers and Artists workshop leader (amherstwriters.com), she has been leading creative writing workshops for all ages for the past eighteen years.

Before her retirement, Judith Robbins worked as a waitress, journalist, legal proofreader, grant manager, assistant chaplain at Bates College, and minister at Sheepscott Community Church. Her earliest calling, however, was to poetry, which has been an unbroken thread throughout her life.

Her first poem was published when she was seven, and her first collection of poems, "The North End," was published by North Country Press when she was 70. North Country also published her second collection, "The Bookbinder's Wife," and will publish her third collection, yet untitled, this summer.

A monthly poetry series running April through November, the Bookey Readings have been taking place at The Harlow for over 25 years. All are welcome. Refreshments are served and a \$3 donation at the door to benefit the gallery is appreciated. For more information about the event, contact Claire Hersom at mamabelle@gwi.net.

DaPonte String Quartet to play Phippsburg concert



The July 20 program will include works by Haydn, Ravel, and Beethoven.

The acclaimed DaPonte String Quartet will perform at the historic Phippsburg Congregational Church on Saturday, July 20 at 7:30 p.m. The program will include Haydn's String Quartet in G Major, Ravel's String Quartet in F Major, and Beethoven's String Quartet in F minor ("Serioso").

Not long after forming in Philadelphia 28 years ago, the DaPonte String Quartet surprised the musical world by moving from a cosmopolitan urban area to rural Maine. The move was sparked by a nationally televised profile of the group by CBS Sunday Morning, which got the group thinking that living outside a major urban center might actually be an appealing alternative lifestyle that few nationally touring musicians had seriously considered.

While musicians and critics wondered why the

DSQ would move to rural Maine, where, as the New York Times noted, they create an experience "like watching the Celtics play in the local gym," the DSQ has subsequently proved them wrong.

Since then, the DaPonte String Quartet has performed across the U.S. and around the world; received awards from the National Endowment for the Arts, Philadelphia Musical Fund Society, Music Teachers National Association, and Chamber Music America; and participated in several of the nation's most prestigious concert series to rave reviews.

The members of the Quartet are proud to call Maine home, and their relationship with mid-coast Maine remains a deeply rooted one. In fact, few string quartets can boast such a devoted following.

When the DSQ de-

buted at Carnegie Hall, a large contingent of their Maine fans traveled to New York to hear and cheer them on there. "Let it not be said that the DaPonte String Quartet enters New York musical life without friends," wrote The Times in amazement. "Weill Hall was packed!"

For this year's midsummer tour, the group decided to revisit their roots and go back to their rural beginnings. So they will appear in the churches and historic landmarks of small towns and villages, giving residents intimate experiences of world-class music in their own communities.

Admission is \$25 at the door or \$22.50 in advance at BrownPaperTickets.com. The church is located at 10 Church Lane in Phippsburg. Doors open at 7 p.m. For more information, call 389-1770.

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Lewiston Municipal FCU supports Store Next Door Project

After raising funds as part of the Maine Credit Union League's 2018 Campaign for Ending Hunger, Lewiston Municipal Federal Credit Union recently donated \$600 to the Store Next Door Project at Lewiston High School. The project provides food and other basic goods, academic sup-



Jamie Caouette (l.) of the Store Next Door Project receives a \$600 donation check from Mary Jane Goodell of Lewiston Municipal FCU.

port, emotional support, and service referrals to homeless students in all grades.

Jamie Caouette of the Store Next Door Project works closely with program volunteers to help homeless youth find resources to fulfill basic needs. Caouette has been a case-manager for almost 10 years and is passionate about helping youth. She can often be found at public speaking engagements sharing her knowledge about the needs

of homeless youth in Lewiston. She volunteers with the Parenting Teen Advisory Board and the Human Trafficking Collaborative and is a certified Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper.

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Authority, and their families.



Maine State Music Theatre puts on its Sunday clothes for "Hello, Dolly!"



Maine State Music Theatre transports audiences to Yonkers for the third show of the season, "Hello, Dolly!" now running in rotation through August 3.

Bursting with humor, romance, high-energy dancing, and some of the greatest songs in musical theater history, this Broadway classic follows the romantic and comic exploits of Dolly Gallagher Levi, a strongwilled matchmaker who travels to New York to find a mate for miserly "unmarried half-a-millionaire" Horace Vandergelder. The show's memorable songs include "Put On Your Sunday Clothes," "Ribbons Down My Back," "Before the Parade Passes By," "Hello, Dolly!," "Elegance," and "It Only Takes a Moment."

The feature roles are played by Charis Leos (MSMT's "Always, Patsy Cline," "Guys and Dolls," and "Gypsy") as Dolly Levi, David Girolmo (Broadway's "War Paint" and "Candide") as Horace Vandergelder, Lauren Blackman (Broadway's "Anastasia" and a national tour of "Hello, Dolly!") as Irene Molloy, Matt Gibson (Broadway's "Gypsy") as Cornelius, Tara Lynn Steele (MSMT's "Chamberlain," "Footloose," and "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers") as Ermengarde, Michael Nigro (NBC's "Sound of Music Live") as Barnaby, and Dori Waymer (Fireside Theatre's "The Little Mermaid") as Minnie Fay.

The ensemble cast includes Tyler Johnson-Campion, Susan Cella, Lani Corson, Michael Peter Deeb, Joseph Ryan Harrington, Janaye McAlpine, Jason Simon, Michael Ivan Carrier, Stevie Ann Mack, Victoria Madden, Michael Olaribigbe, Jane Abernethy, Glenn

Anderson, Alicia Babin, Katie Brnjac, Jonathan Bryant, Diego Cortes, Nicole Fava, Liv Nurmi, Collins Rush, and Robert Avery Wilson.

The show is directed by Donna Drake (Broadway's "A Chorus Line," "Sophisticated Ladies," and "Woman of the Year") and choreographed by Rhonda Miller. Jason Wetzel is the Music Director, Charles S. Kading is the Scene Designer, Jesse Klug is the Lighting Designer, Shannon Slaton is the Sound Designer, Ryan Moller is the Costume Designer, Gerard James Kelly is the Wigs Designer, and Mark Johnson is the Stage Manager.

Performances take place at the Pickard Theater at 1 Bath Road on the Bowdoin College campus in Brunswick. For show times and ticket information, call 725-8769 or see www.msmt.org.

Women's Literary Union to host Christmas (in July!) Tea Party at Foss Mansion

The Women's Literary Union will host a Christmas (in July!) Tea Party at Auburn's historic Foss Mansion on Thursday, July 25, from 4 to 6 p.m. This benefit event will support Auburn's 150th Anniversary Bricks Project to raise the Bells of St. Louis at their permanent new home in Anniversary Park.

The Christmas season is supposed to be a time of celebration, good cheer, and relaxation, but often, relaxation just doesn't happen. The Woman's Literary Union of Androscoggin County invites the community to enjoy a holiday-themed afternoon tea without the stress of the holidays.

Conversation and laughter easily flow around a table when enjoying a tea party with friends. This afternoon tea will include a selection of finger foods, including tea sandwiches; delectable scones with clotted cream, lemon curd, and jams; and sweet tidbits to finish the ensemble. Beverages will also be included.

Guests who join WLU when making a reservation for the event will be eligible for the member discount. The price will be \$20 to \$30, depending on reservation date and membership sta-



This benefit event to help raise the Bells of St. Louis at their permanent new home in Anniversary Park invites the community to enjoy a holiday-themed afternoon tea - without the stress of the holidays.

tus. Payments with member discounts must be received by July 22.

Seating is limited to 40 people and reservations are strongly recommended. Entire tables may be reserved: please indicate size needed and include all guests' names when making a reservation. To make a reservation, call 783-5630 or email woman-sliteraryunion@gmail.com.

Payment can be mailed to the Woman's Literary Union, P.O. Box 1063, Auburn, Maine 04211-1063.

For more information, contact Migdalia Mass (253) 222-8953 or Tizz Crowley at tizzcrowley@yahoo.com.







Out & About with Rachel Morin

The Auburn Community Concert Band at Festival Plaza



Auburn Community Concert Band is entering its 38th Anniversary Season. Schooner Estates Retirement Community was recognized in the concert program as a major sponsor. Their banner can be seen here hanging on the wall.

Story and photos by Rachel Morin

A brief threat of rain before last Wednesday's Auburn Community Concert Band performance at Auburn's Festival Plaza did not faze the loyal crowd from attending. The Band's fans came out in great numbers for the event.

As greeters handed out programs and families got seated in their folding chairs, some with snacks for the children, everyone was looking forward to the musical treat ahead.

The Program's front cover proclaimed "American Idols" as the theme of the evening's concert. As one of the major sponsors of the Auburn Community Concert Band, now in its 38th Anniversary Season, Schooner Estates Senior Living Community was also on the front cover.

Inside the program, Schooner was recognized for its over three decades of providing the ideal setting for older adults to live and thrive in individual apartments with access to customized services and delicious meals. The beautiful 10-acre campus offers four levels of care: Independent Living, Assisted Living, Residential Care, and Memory Care. Coming this fall, Schooner will open a 66-bed assisted living memory care building on campus.

The Band's director, Milt Simon, welcomed the crowd and vocalist Mitch Thomas, who led the singing of the opening number, "The Star Spangled Banner." Thomas also led the final selection at the end of the program, "God Bless America." These two popular and patriotic numbers are always the opening and closing tributes at each performance, sung by the crowd after rising to their feet.

The program for this American Idols concert consisted of "Crooner's Serenade," "Stevie Wonder in Concert," "Chicago - Greatest Hits," "Best of Phil Collins," "Ol' Blue Eyes," "The Beatles Remembered," "Tribute to Whitney Houston," and "Elton John on Tour."

In between numbers, Simon gave interesting tidbits about the next piece to be played. At intermission, he introduced John Rice, Director of Operations at Schooner, who spoke briefly.

Festival Plaza is an ideal location for musical performances, art displays, and many other crowd-pleasing events. Refreshment vendors are available and everyone enjoys the walking river path and scenic views of the Androscoggin River,

cascading waterfalls, and Lewiston skyline.

The rain location for the Band's weekly summer concerts is the Franco Center on Cedar Street in Lewiston. To see a listing of its upcoming concerts and programs, visit www.auburncommunityband.com.



The Schooner Estates group attending the concert included (l. to r., from front) Bette Ann Cushman, Martha Bissonnette, Rachel Morin, Pauline Gotto, Art Turner, Castine Building Activities Coordinator Joanne Kramlich, Marketing Associate Lindsay Remington, Residential Care Administrator Mike Lacasse, Director of Operations John Rice, and Director of Marketing David Cassidy. (Photo by Sandy Pomerleau)



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Sunday, July 14 at 1:00 pm – PRINCESS & PIRATE PARTY – pre-game tea party and parade.

July Schedule

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Wednesday, July 24 at NOON – Portland Sea Dogs vs. Hartford Yard Goats.

Thursday, July 25 at 7:00 pm – Mookie Betts Bobblehead giveaway to the first 1,000 fans presented by Bath Savings.

'90's Night with a pre-game performance by HELLO NEWMAN.

Friday, July 26 at 7:00 pm – Witchcraft & Wizardry Night presented by Five Guys Burgers & Fries.

Saturday, July 27 at 6:00 pm – FIREWORKS SHOW.

Sunday, July 28 at 1:00 pm – Portland Sea Dogs vs. Harrisburg Senators.

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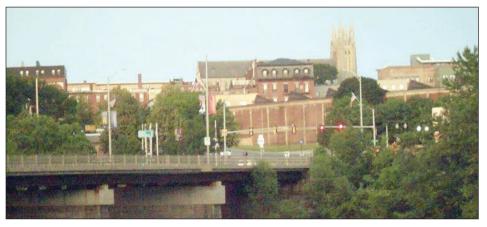
Milt Simon, founder and director of the Auburn Community Concert Band



The crowd settles in for the evening's performance.



The large crowd enjoys the concert



The James B. Longley Bridge connecting Auburn and Lewiston, viewed from the banks of the Androscoggin River at Festival Plaza. The steeples of SS Peter and Paul Basilica can be seen in the Lewiston skyline at the right.

What do you think?

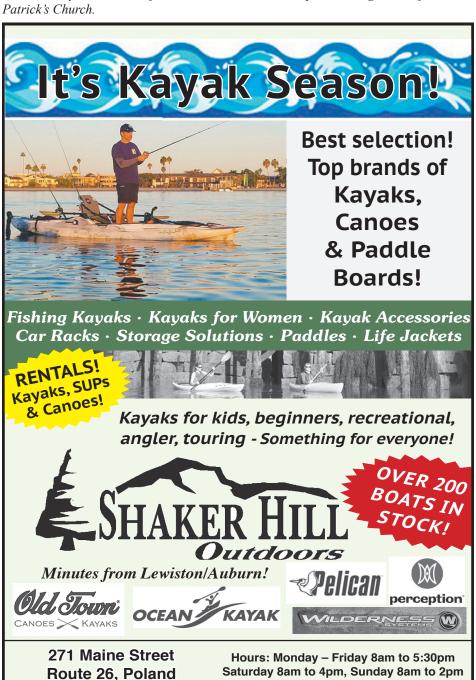
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Lewiston City Hall, as seen from Festival Plaza. The steeple to the right is the former St.



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Weekly Arts & Entertainment

CLT Summer Theatre Camp to present student performances of "Frozen, Jr." and "Wizard of Oz"

Pre-teen participants in the camp rehearse a spirited "Frozen, Jr." song with music director Linda Vaillancourt.

Community Little Theatre's annual Summer Theatre Camp will present its end-of-session public performances Friday through Sunday, July 19 through 21. The 65 preteens and teens participating in this year's program will stage productions of "Frozen, Jr." (Pre-Teens) and "Frank Baum's Wizard of Oz: Young Performers' Edition" (Teens).

Frozen, Jr. is directed by Jennifer Mc-Clure-Groover and produced by Myrand Michaud, while Linda Vaillancourt and Ashley Hodgkin handle music and choreography. The Wizard of Oz: Young Performers' Edition is directed by Ashley Hodgkin and produced by Linda Rombalski, with music by Emily Flynn and choreography by Lacey Moyse.

Frozen, Jr. will be per-



The camp's teen counselors act as assistant directors for the student productions. Pictured here (l. to r.) are Maddy Vaillancourt, Ethan Rombalski, Maria Groover, and Maddi Dubois. Absent from the photo are Bailey Michaud and Louise Groover.

at 7 p.m. and again on Saturday, July 20 at 2 p.m. The Wizard of Oz will be staged on Saturday, July 20 at 7 p.m. and again on Sunday, July 21 at 2 p.m. Performances will take place at Community Little Theatre's Great Falls Performing Arts Center at 30 Academy Street

Community Little Theatre's annual Summer Theatre Camp is a fourweek program divided into two sections, one for preteens ages 8 through 12 and the other for teens ages 13 through 17.

We teach all aspects of theater, from backstage to on-stage, including au-

ditioning skills, stage etiquette, choreography, vocal music, and blocking" explained director Jennifer McClure Groover. "In essence, it means staging a full-scale musical with specific focus on developing a respect for 'The Art of the Theatre'.'

Teen counselors play a major role in the success of the camp. "Each of the six teen counselors supervises, nurtures, and supports six to eight pre-teens throughout the four-week camp," said Teen Director Ashley G. Hodgkin.

"It's a really cool way to make a lot of new friends while increasing our theatre know-how," said Maddy Vaillancourt, a teen counselor in her fourth year who will play the Wicked Witch in The Wizard of Oz.

"When I heard about Frozen, Jr., I was super-pumped," said pre-teen camp student Brock Rancourt, age 12. "I wanted to be Olaf. It's so fun to be here with friends.'

The shows are sponsored by the long-time support of the Lewiston-Auburn Children's Foundation, in line with its mission to support youth education in the Lewiston-Auburn communities. Financial support for the annual Youth Summer Theatre Camp may be made by calling CLT president John Blanchette at 749-7013 or CLT office assistant Penny Drum at 333-3386.

Maine Event Comedy at Bear Bones Beer



Al Ghanekar

Maine Event Comedy will present Portland's Al Ghanekar at Bear Bones Beer on Thursday, July 18 at 7 p.m. He'll be joined by Joe Flynn, Dennis Price, and Jamie Roux. A comedy open-mic will follow the show.

Ghanekar left a fulltime technology job to pursue stand-up comedy, primarily in the corporate arena. He's worked with national headliners at the Funnvbone Comedy Club and, along with shows throughout the United States, has performed in Sydney, Australia and Mumbai, India.

Joe Flynn is a likable curmudgeon from Salem, Mass. He recently performed at Comix at Mohegan Sun. He's a two-time finalist in New England's Best Bar Comic Contest and a runner-up in the Witch City Comedy Competition.

Dennis Price is an actor, performer, improviser, teacher, and director. He's the founder of Capital City Improv and teaches theatre at Winthrop High School.

Westbrook's Jamie Roux performs throughout New England. He was part of the Bricks & Bridges Comedy Fest and recently headlined at Empire in Portland.

The show is free and open to those ages 21 and older. Bear Bones Beer is located at 43 Lisbon Street in Lewiston. For more information, call 513-0742 or e-mail maineeventcomedy@gmail.com.





Bates Festival "big weekend" features Doug Varone and Dancers, Musician's Concert, live social dance

In an extended "big weekend" running Thursday through Monday, July 25 through 29, the Bates Dance Festival at Bates College will dazzle audiences with eight mainstage performances, a social dance with live music, and a variety of supporting events.

The performances will feature longtime festival favorites Doug Varone and Dancers (July 25 and 26) and the popular Musicians' Concert (July 29). There will also be appearances by Lida Winfield (July 26 and 27), Netta Yerushalmy (July 27 and 28), and Reggie Wilson/Fist and Hell Performance Group (July 28). A free Concert on the Quad (July 25) will offer music by the fiddle band Stomp Rocket and contra dance lessons by Dela Murphy.

Most dance festival performances will take place in Bates' air-conditioned Schaeffer Theatre, located at 329 College Street in Lewiston. Lida Winfield events will take place in Gannett Theater's Pettigrew Hall (305 College Street) and the Musicians' Concert will be at the Gendron Franco Center (46 Cedar Street) in Lewiston.

Admission to "BD-Fete," a fundraiser and celebration at 5:30 p.m. preceding the Varone performance on July 25, will be \$60, which includes a premium seat for the performance. A special Music and Dance Pass (\$60) provides admission for one to the Musicians' Concert and to certain dance performances August 1 through 3, while the Weekend Warrior Pass (\$84) includes admission for one person to single shows by Varone, Winfield, Yerushalmy, and Wilson.

Designed to provide a critical mass of dance excitement for festival audiences, this "big weekend" is the centerpiece of the Bates Dance Festival's new schedule format for 2019.

"We wanted to offer not just evening performances, but multiple opportunities to see shows in one day," says festival director Shoshona Currier. "BDF is a destination for dance, and with this format, audiences can spend more time here while also experiencing more of our local community."

Doug Varone, who first performed at the festival in 1992, is an award-winning choreographer and director whose work is extraordinary for its emotional range, kinetic breadth, and stylistic versatility. This year he will present the New England premiere of "in the shelter of the fold/epilogue," two full-ensemble works com-



Festival favorites Doug Varone and Dancers will present the New England premiere of "in the shelter of the fold/ epilogue," two full-ensemble works comprising an inquiry into public and personal acts of faith, on July 25 and 26.

prising an inquiry into public and personal acts of faith.

The piece asks: To whom are we speaking, and what are we asking for? Is this a mystical or spiritual experience, or simply a dialogue we're having with ourselves? Performances will take place Thursday and Friday, July 25 and 26, at 7:30 p.m. at Schaeffer Theatre (\$35 adults, \$28 seniors, \$12 students, \$60 BDFete).

At the weekend's Concert on the Quad, Dela Murphy, co-founder of Portland Intown Contra Dance, will teach the basics of contra dance before calling a participatory dance with live music provided by Stomp Rocket, featuring the powerful fiddle playing of Dave Langford, sparkling mandolin and banjo playing of Glen Loper, and driving Irish-style guitar playing of Bethany Waickman. Free and open to all, the event will take place on Thursday, July 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the college's Historic Quad at College Street and Campus Avenue.

Bates Dance Festival musicians will take center stage for the annual Musicians' Concert on Monday, July 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Gendron Franco Center in Lewiston. Known for their

collaborations with dancers, these extraordinary composers will perform original and improvised works that blend styles from around the globe. The evening will feature multi-instrumentalists Jesse Manno and Terrence Karn, whose musical scope spans Africa, Asia and the Middle East: composer-pianists Peter Jones and Carl Landa; violinist Rob Flax; and electronic musicians Adam Crawley and Albert Mathias (\$20 adults, \$15 seniors, \$12 students).

The festival returns for its final weekend August 1 through 3 when 10 events are scheduled: two performances by Joanna Kotze, three by festival artist-in-residence nora chipaumire, two by jumatatu m. poe and Jermone Donte Beacham (one in downtown Lewiston and one in Portland), the annual Moving in the Moment concert, the Festival Finale, and the season's final Concert on the Quad featuring the Maine reggae band Stream.

Questions may be directed to 786-6381 or dancefest@bates.edu. For more information about performances and tickets, or about the free BDF events taking place at Bates and off campus, see batesdancefestival.org/performances.

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Summer Keyboard Concert at Court St. Baptist Church



Dr. Peter Green and Mark Thallander at a grand pipe organ console

After performing at the consoles of some of the area's mightiest organs, Mark Thallander is no stranger to area music lovers. His latest local appearance will take place on Wednesday, July 24 at 7 p.m. at Court Street Baptist Church, where he will present a joint performance with fellow musician Dr. Peter Green.

The Summer Keyboard Concert will be preceded by a meal at 5:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. Music lovers may attend the meal, concert, or both. No-cost tickets are required for the meal; the keyboard concert requires no ticket, but free will donations will be accepted.

The two musicians at times will play both the organ and grand piano, while other selections will see both performers at the organ, employing the full range of its 1,600 pipes. The program will feature many popular and well-known Christian classics.

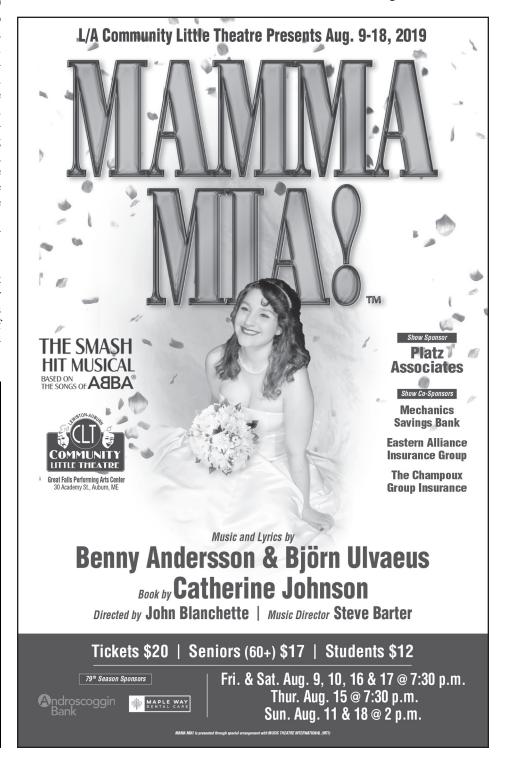
Many of Thallander's performances are organized and sponsored by the Mark Thallander Foundation. In addition to performing, he composes, conducts, and teaches throughout the nation and has enthusiastically accompanied several very large festival choirs. For 18 years, Thallander served as the organist at the famed Crystal Cathedral in California. He has also served as organist at several other churches.

His recordings include choral works and keyboard compositions. An endowed organ scholarship in his honor has been established at his alma mater, Vanguard University. His master's degree is from Cal-State University at Long Beach.

A native of Newfoundland, Peter Green earned his Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the University of Southern California. He is chair of Visual and Performing Arts at Glendale College in California, where he also directs choirs and serves on the boards of the National Association of Church Musicians and the Thallander Foundation. He has won piano competitions, presented solo and collaborative performances across the country, and directed the Thallander Foundation Chorus in California, Hawaii, and Vienna, Austria.

The meal will feature a nourishing array of dishes with musical names, such as E. Power Biggs Four-Bean Salad, Bach Taco Salad, and Brahms Broccoli Salad. Desserts will include Jelly Roll Morton Bars and Van Cliburn Cookies.

A brief "Meet the Artists," when CD recordings will be available for purchase, will occur between the meal and the concert. Meal tickets may be reserved Tuesday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. by calling 784-6661 or visiting the church office.



Sawyer Memorial presents Lorraine Ouellette Trio



The group has been playing Country, French, Polka, and Cajun music at festivals and nursing homes for over ten years.

The Lorraine Ouellette Trio will perform at the Sawyer Memorial in Greene on Friday, July 19 at 2 and 7 p.m. Both shows are free and open to the public.

The group has been

playing a combination of Country, French, Polka, and Cajun music at festivals and nursing homes for over ten years. Lorraine plays the accordion, Jerry Dube sings and plays guitar, and Adrian

Leclair sings and plays mandolin and guitar.

Sawyer Memorial is at 371 Sawyer Road in Greene. For more information, call 946-5311 or see sawyer-foundation.com.



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Celebration Barn presents annual fundraising "Spectacular" July 20



Cirque du Soleil's Kyle Driggs

On Saturday, July 20 at 7:30 p.m., Celebration Barn in South Paris will celebrate its 48th season bringing the world of physical theater arts to Western Maine with its biggest event of the year, "The Spectacular: A Fundraiser for Celebration Barn Theater."

Executive Artistic Director Amanda Huotari describes the event as "an evening to experience, celebrate, and support Celebration Barn's hallmark, international theater arts in Maine. With an exceptional cast, this show will be elegant and full of both laughs and surprises."

Among other dis-

tinguished guests, this year's Spectacular will feature performances by Cirque du Soleil's Kyle Driggs, Martha Graham Dance Company soloist Andrea Murillo, Austin's award-winning puppeteer CB Goodman, and Emmy-nominated viral video artist Fritz Grobe.

In addition to the show, audience members will have the final opportunity to bid on Silent Auction items which include a Tuscan vacation, white water rafting trips, a day sail in Casco Bay, and much more. Bidding is open now at www.biddingowl.com/ celebrationbarn.

Located just off Route 117 at 190 Stock Farm Road in South Paris, Celebration Barn Theater is an international center for physical theater training, creation, and performance that attracts over 200 artists and 5,000 audience members each season.

Tickets are \$30. Purchasing in advance is strongly recommended. All tickets are general admission and members receive priority seating. The lobby and concessions for this event will open at 6 p.m. For more information or to buy tickets, call 743-8452 or see www.CelebrationBarn.com.



Martha Graham Dance Company soloist Andrea Murillo

Washburn-Norlands Living History Center offers open hours for summer



Interpreters dressed in period clothing portray real people who lived in the area in the 1800s.

The Washburn-Norlands Living History Center in Livermore will be open for public visits and tours on Tuesdays, Thursdays,

and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in July and August.

Norlands is a living history museum and farm offering in-depth experiences

of 19th-century rural Maine life. Interpreters dressed in period clothing portray real people who lived in the area in the 1800s. It is also the ancestral home of Livermore's Washburn family, whose sons rose from humble beginnings to achieve remarkable political and entrepreneurial successes across the nation.

Visitors may tour the 1867 Washburn family mansion, farmer's cottage, and barn, attend school in the one-room schoolhouse, and visit the beautiful and extensive grounds.

Additional programming is offered on Thursdays throughout the summer. On Thursday, July 25, "Antoinette Fuller" will make cheese and butter in the farmer's cottage. For the full program schedule, see www.norlands.org.

Norlands is located at 290 Norlands Road in Livermore. Admission is \$10, or \$6 for those ages 12 and under. A family rate of \$25 (for two adults with two or more children under 18) is available. Members receive a 20% discount on admission and a 10% discount in the gift shop. Sign up when you arrive; benefits begin immediately. For more information, call 897-4366 or visit www.norlands.org.

Thursday, July 18

Miss Jenn Move & Groove. 11 a.m. Auburn Public Library. Miss Jenn leads kids in stories, songs, parachute play, yoga moves, a craft, and more. Best for kids ages 3 through 8 and their families. Free. 333-6640, ext. 3.

Film Screening. 5:30 to 7 p.m. First Universalist Church, 169 Pleasant St., Auburn. The documentary "Paris to Pittsburgh" explores how diverse Americans are working to develop home-grown solutions to global climate change; panel discussion follows. Free. kristine.corey@maine.edu.

Blackjack 5K Run-Walk. 6 p.m. Oak Hill Middle School, Ball Park Rd., Sabattus. This noncompetitive social event invites participants to get some exercise with a chance to win prizes. Sign-up starts at 5 p.m. \$5. www.sabattusrec.

Theatre: "Singing in the Rain." 7 p.m. Schoolhouse Arts Center, 16 Richville Rd. (Rte. 114), Standish. This production includes a rollicking dance number performed in an indoor rain storm. Again 7/19-21, 25-28 (Suns. at 2 p.m.). \$19/17. www.SchoolhouseArts.org.

Maine Event Comedy. 7 p.m. Bear Bones Beer, 43 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Tonight's performers are Al Ghanekar, Joe Flynn, Dennis Price, and Jamie Roux; open mic follows. Ages 21-plus. Free. 513 0742;

maineeventcomedy@ gmail.com.

Friday, July 19

Concert: Lorraine Ouellette Trio. 2 and 7 p.m. Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Rd., Greene. The group has played Country, French, Polka, and Cajun music at festivals and nursing homes for over ten years. Free. 946-5311; sawyer-foundation.

Youth and Community Open Mic. 6 p.m. Lewiston Public Library. Both youth and adults are welcome to share their original poems, stories, and songs before enjoying a performance by Boston Poet Laureate Porsha Olayiwola. Free. 782-7228.

Poetry Reading. 7 p.m. The Harlow, 100 Water Street, Hallowell. Poets Elizabeth Potter and Judith Robbins read from and discuss their work; refreshments. \$3 suggested donation. 622-3813; harlowgallery.org.

Theater: "Frozen, Jr." 7 p.m. Great Falls Performing Arts Center, 30 Academy St., Auburn. Pre-teen students ages 8-12 in Community Little Theatre's annual Summer Theatre Camp present their end-of-session public performance. Again 7/20 at 2 p.m.

Saturday, July 20

Open House, Guided Tours. 10 a.m. to noon. Readfield Union Meeting

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House, 22 Church Rd., Readfield. Come visit this historic Readfield landmark with its amazing "trompe l'oeil" murals; also today, play traditional children's games on the front lawn. Free. https://unionmeetinghouse.org.

Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. Cribstone performs an eclectic mix of Blues, Celtic, country, and classic rock covers and original songs. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center.

Theater: "The Wizard of Oz: Young Performers' Edition." 7 p.m. Great Falls Performing Arts Center, 30 Academy St., Auburn. Teen students ages 13-17 in Community Little Theatre's annual Summer Theatre Camp present their end-ofsession public performance. Again 7/21 at 2 p.m.

Celebration Barn "Spectacular." 7:30 p.m. Celebration Barn Theater, 190 Stock Farm Rd. (just off Rte. #117), So. Paris. The Barn's annual fundraising event features a spectacular variety show and silent auction. \$30. 743-8452; www. CelebrationBarn.com.

Concert: DaPonte String Quartet. 7 p.m. Congregational Church, 10 Church Lane (at Parker Head Rd.), Phippsburg. The program will include works by Haydn, Ravel, and Beethoven. \$25 at door, \$22.50 at BrownPaperTickets.com. 389-1770.

Monday, July 22

"3,2,1 Blast Off - Explore Space!" 6 p.m. Andro. Community Room, Auburn Public Library. Mad Science of Maine takes young readers on an out-of-this-world journey from Earth's atmosphere to the outer reaches of our solar system. Free. 333-6640, ext. 3.

Tuesday, July 23

Working the Workforce Seminar. 12 to 1 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Bill Benson discusses Boots-2Roots, a nonprofit that helps soon-to-be veterans transition to civilian employment in Maine. 783-2249.

Community Reads Author Visit. 6:30 p.m. Bailey Public Library, 39 Bowdoin St., Winthrop, Jennifer Richard Jacobson reads from and discusses her critically acclaimed book, "Paper Things." Free. 377-8673.

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is Mike Preston and Kim Curry (Country). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Wednesday, July 24

Stanton Bird Club Riverside Trail Walk. Meet at 8 a.m. on the corner of Winter and Whipple Streets. at Sunnyside Park in Lewiston. Walk ends by 11 a.m. All welcome. Free. 406-4741; jsmd@att.net.

Summer Keyboard Concert. 7 p.m. Court St. Baptist Church, Auburn. Musicians Mark Thallander and Dr. Peter Green perform works for organ and piano (free will offering). An optional meal (free, but tix required) precedes at 5:30. 784-6661.

Thursday, July 25

Rotary Club Lunch Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Village Inn, 165 High St., Auburn. The guest speaker is Rotary District Governor Suzanne Uhl-Melanson. Free; lunch avail. at restaurant. www.lewistonauburnrotary.org.

Christmas (in July!) Tea Party. 4 to 6 p.m. Foss Mansion, 19 Elm St., Auburn. Join the Woman's Literary Union for a holiday-themed tea party without the stress of the holidays; proceeds benefit Bells of St. Louis project at Anniv. Park. \$30. Space limited; reserve at 783-5630.

Ribbon Cutting and Open House. 5 p.m. Payroll Management, Inc., Auburn Mall. Come help Payroll Management Inc. celebrate their 30-year anniversary and move into new corporate headquarters.

Marine Corps League Meeting. 6 p.m. Lewiston Armory, 65 Central Ave. Central ME Detachment 810 needs members: they will pay for your first-year membership. All Marines, FMF Corpsman, Navy Chaplains, and anyone interested in helping local veterans is invited

Concert on the Quad. 6:30 p.m. Historic Quad (at Campus Ave. and College St.), Bates College, Lewiston. Portland Intown Contra Dance founder Dela Murphy teaches the basics of the style and then calls a contra dance to the live music of Stomp Rocket. Free.

Theatre: "Singing in the Rain." 7 p.m. Schoolhouse Arts Center, 16 Richville Rd. (Rte. 114), Standish. This production includes a rollicking dance number performed in the midst of an indoor rain storm. Again 7/26-28 (Sun. at 2 p.m.). \$19/17. www. SchoolhouseArts.org.

Friday, July 26

Make-A-Wish Comedy Show. 8 p.m. Norway Savings Bank Arena, Auburn. Comedians Dan Boulger, Brian Brinegar, Mike Keegan, and Ryan Gartley perform; raffles, social hour. Ages 21-plus. Benefits Make-A-Wish Maine. \$25. www.norwaysavingsbankarena.com.

Saturday, July 27

Civil War Encampment. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Minot Historical Society, 493 Center Minot Hill Rd., Minot. Join several Civil War re-enactment groups to see first-hand what life was like in the field. Concessions avail. Again 8/5 (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.). Free. 966-2622.

Open House-Guided Tours. 10 a.m. to noon. Readfield Union Meeting House, 22 Church Rd., Readfield. Come visit this historic Readfield landmark with its amazing "trompe l'oeil" murals. Free. https:// unionmeetinghouse.org.

Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. Hank Barbee and the Dust Parade play their genre-bending mix of surfy jazz, rock, and country blues. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center. Free.

Tuesday, July 30

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is Hangin' with Hooper - Brad Hooper and Rusty Wiltjer (Acoustic, Folk, Blues, Americana). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Open Mic Night. 7 p.m. Readfield Union Meeting House, 22 Church Rd., Readfield. Share your talent(s); proceeds support the restoration of this historic Readfield landmark. \$10. https://unionmeetinghouse.

Thursday, Aug. 1

Concert on the Quad. 6:30 p.m. Historic Quad (at Campus Ave. and College St.), Bates College, Lewiston. The Maine band Stream performs classic and new reggae music. Free.

Saturday, Aug. 3

Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. Xander Nelson and his band, whose song "You Got a Problem" has received extensive radio play, play indie rock and blues. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center. Free.

Tuesday, Aug. 6

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is fivepiece band Mill Town Road Show (Americana, Country, originals). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-

Friday, Aug. 9

Theater: "Mamma Mia!" 7:30 p.m. Great Falls Performing Arts Center,

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Saturday, Aug. 10

Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. The Big Chips Trio play a swinging jazz, blues, and soul concoction perfect for dancing. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center. Free.

Tuesday, Aug. 13

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert, 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is sixpiece Back Woods Road Band (Bluegrass). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Thursday, Aug. 15

Theater: "Mamma Mia!" 7:30 p.m. Great Falls Performing Arts Center, Auburn. Community Little Theatre presents the popular romantic comedy featuring songs of the pop supergroup ABBA. Again 8/16-18 (Sun. at 2 p.m.). \$20/17/12. 783-0958; LACLT.com.

Saturday, Aug. 17

Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. Soggy Po Boys play their combination of jazz, funk, and Caribbean music. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center Free

Tuesday, Aug. 20

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is Kevin Libby and Friends (Folk, Rock & Roll). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Saturday, Aug. 24

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Tuesday, Aug. 27

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is Chris Poulson & Friends (Folk, Rock). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Saturday, Aug. 31

Summer Saturday Concert Series. 6 p.m. Waterfront Park, Commercial St., Bath. Steel drum band Pan Fried Steel closes out the series with their traditional steel drumming and renditions of rock, pop, and reggae songs. Pres. by Chocolate Church Arts Center.

Tuesday, Sep. 3

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert. 6 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is The Cobblestones - M. & M. Plourde, C. Constanzi, T. Simmons (Acoustic Americana). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Tuesday, Sep. 10

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert. 6 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is Hot Damn - Norm and Deb Pelletier (Country to Classic Rock). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Tuesday, Sep. 17

"Music for Mavis" Outdoor Concert. 6 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center. This week's performer is talented high school musicians The Only Hope (music the 50s to the 90s). Free, but a "pass the hat" suggested donation supports the series. 754-0954.

Wednesday, Sep. 18

Pet Wellness Clinic. Noon to 2 p.m. Kennedy Park, Lewiston. The Greater Andro. Humane Society offers free vaccines, microchips, and pet food; bring dogs on leashes and cats in

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Youth and Community Open Mic features Boston Poet Laureate



Porsha Olayiwola (Photo by Carlie Febo)

LA Arts, Lewiston 21st Century, and MC Lala Drew will welcome City of Boston Poet Laureate Porsha Olayiwola to Lewiston as the featured presenter at

the next Youth and Community Open Mic on Friday, July 19 at 6 p.m. at Lewiston Public Library. This free event is open to the public and both youth and adults

A collaboration between Lewiston 21st Century and LA Arts, the Youth and Community Open Mic program began as a means of integrating talented youth into the growing local arts and culture scene and strengthening the network of youth performance artists. Providing an accessible platform to showcase youth and adult talent, this monthly event is typically held in the LA Arts Downstage, with occasional signature events featuring nationally recognized artists held at Lewiston Public Library. While prioritizing youth performances, Open Mic events are open to all members of the community.

are welcome to come share poems, stories, songs, and other original work before enjoying a performance by

Porsha Olayiwola is an Individual World Poetry Slam Champion and was named by GK100 as one of Boston's Most Influential People of Color. She is the Artistic Director at MassLEAP, a literary non-profit organization in Massachusetts serving

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